

# **GovDelivery**®

### Digital Subscription Management for the State of Indiana

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### Agenda

- Provide Overview of Digital Subscription Management
- Demonstrate how system works on a state agency website
- Review results achieved by other state agencies
- Describe Deliverability and Certified E-mail
- Questions

#### What is it?

**Digital Subscription Management** is an automated system that uses e-mail, wireless alerts and RSS to notify residents about specific information when new content is posted to an agency's website.

### **Internet and E-mail Usage Statistics**

- E-mail is the most common use of the Internet\*
- Residents are 5 times more likely to use e-mail on a given day than to visit even one government website\*
- Residents want choices to specific e-mail updates, not SPAM
- State of Indiana has a resident base with over 60% Internet access and growing (based on 2004 median household income of \$43,217)\*\*

\*Source: PEW Internet and American Life Project

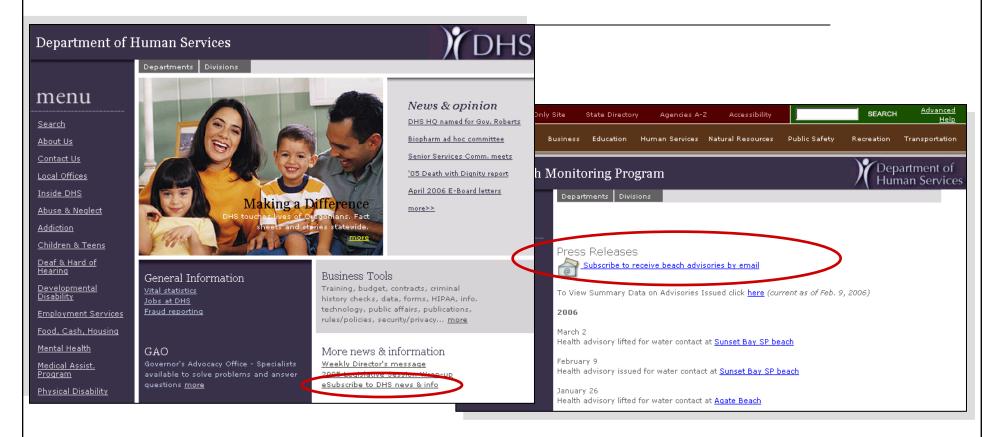
\*\*U.S. Census Bureau website



### **Service Objectives**

- Communicate agency information more effectively with residents by offering specific e-mail updates
- Reduce paper document distribution costs
  - Reduce printing, postage and administrative costs on bulk mailings

### 1) Click on "Subscribe" Links Throughout Website



Find and click on e-mail subscription options on the homepage as well as links placed strategically throughout site

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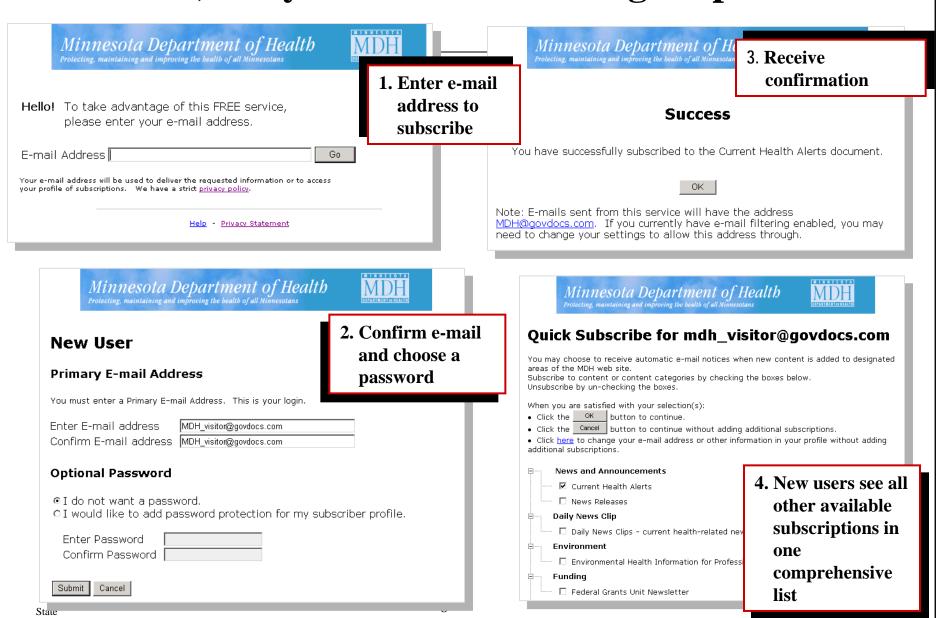
### Or "Subscribe" Links on Homepages

Place links to e-mail subscription features on your homepage



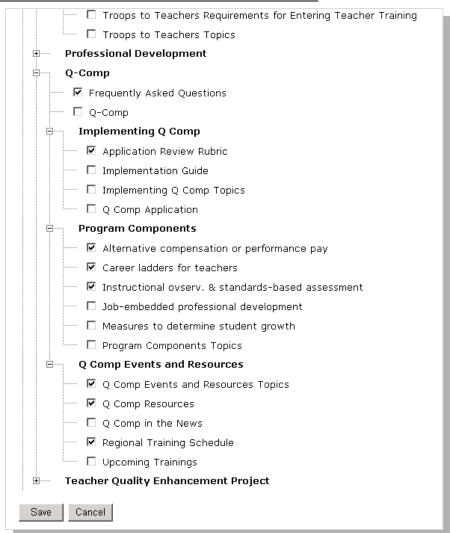


# 2) Easy First Time User Sign-Up

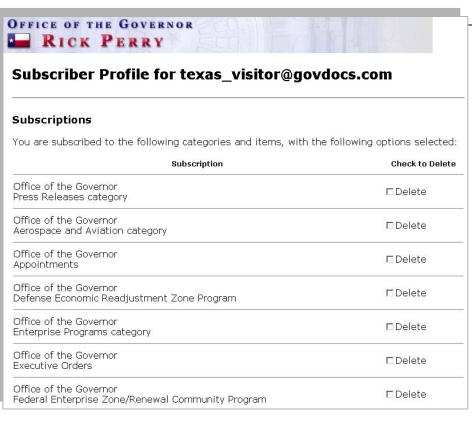


# 3) Comprehensive Subscription Page





### 4) Users Manage Their Own E-mail Updates



View and modify unique user profile at any time after signing up for a subscription.

Your current e-mail address is: texas_visitor@govdocs.com
If you would like to change your e-mail address, please enter your new e-mail address below.
Enter New E-mail Address
Confirm New E-mail Address
Change Delivery Status
Do you want to receive e-  MM/DD/YYYY  (Certain high-priority e-mails may still be sent.)
Add Password
If you would like to add a password, please enter your new password below.  Enter New Password
Confirm New Password
View all subscriptions available for:  • Office of the Governor
□ Please delete my profile  (Deleting your profile will permanently remove all your subscriptions and user information.)



### 5) Residents Receive Important E-mail Updates

From: Minnesota Department of Health [mailto:mdh@govdelivery.com]

Sent: Monday, August 14, 2006 12:04 PM

To: Zach Stabenow

Subject: MDH News Release Weather conditions increase risk of West Nile virus in western Minnesota

#### Weather conditions increase risk of West Nile virus in western Minnesota

State health officials urge simple prevention of mosquito bites

Residents of western and central Minnesota are at risk for West Nile virus (WNV), which causes mild to severe disease, for the remainder of the summer. Because of weather conditions the past two months, this risk may be greater than past years. Nineteen cases of WNV-related illness in Minnesotans, including two deaths, have already been reported to the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH), shead of numbers reported at this time in previous years.

View the full release at: http://www.health.state.mn.us/news/pressrel/wnv081406.html#1.

For more information, contact:

Doug Schultz MDH Communications (651) 201 4993

David Neitzel Vector-borne disease (651) 201-5414 Users are notified what information was updated, as well as given a link directly to the updated item.

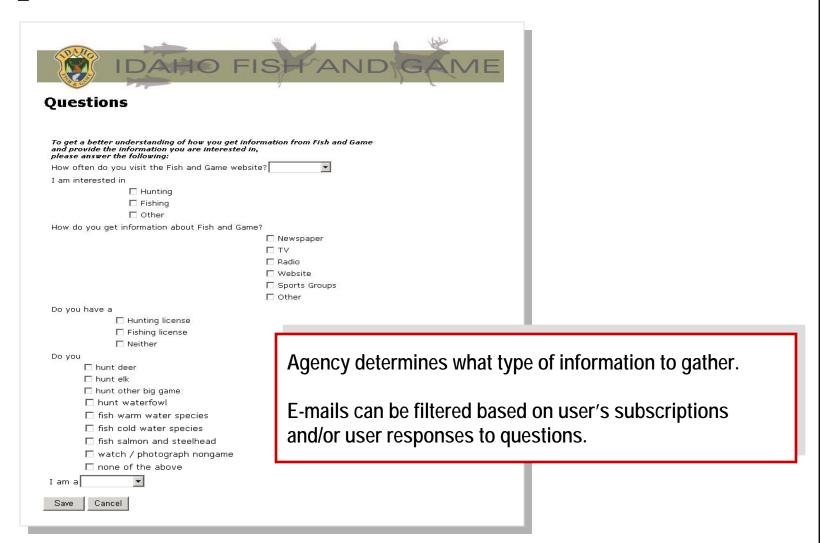
You can update or cancel your subscription at any time by editing your personal profile. All you will need are your e-mail address and your password (if you have selected one).

This service is provided free of charge by: Minnesota Department of Health.

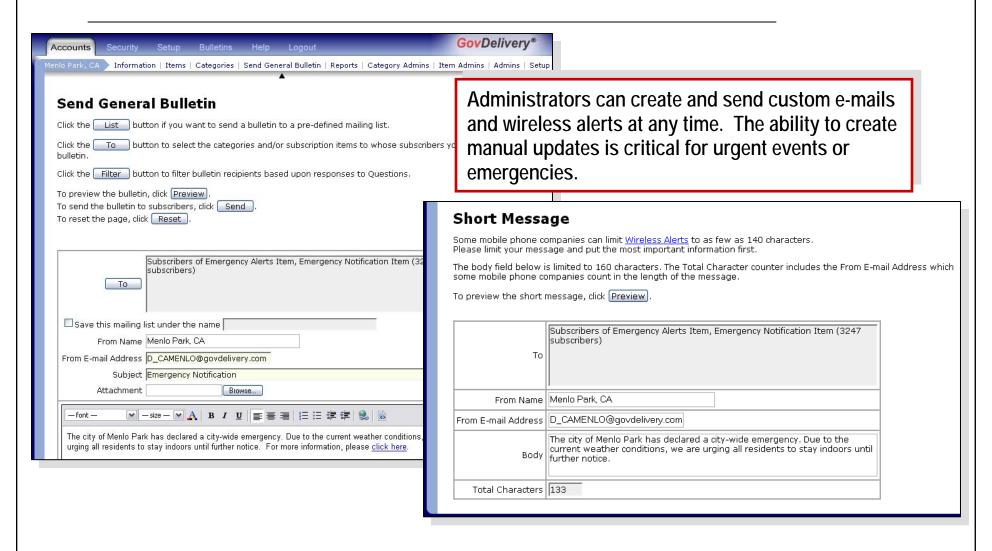
P.S. If you have any questions or problems please contact help@govdelivery.com for assistance.



### **Optional: Gather Additional Information**



### **Create Ad-Hoc Notices at Any Time**





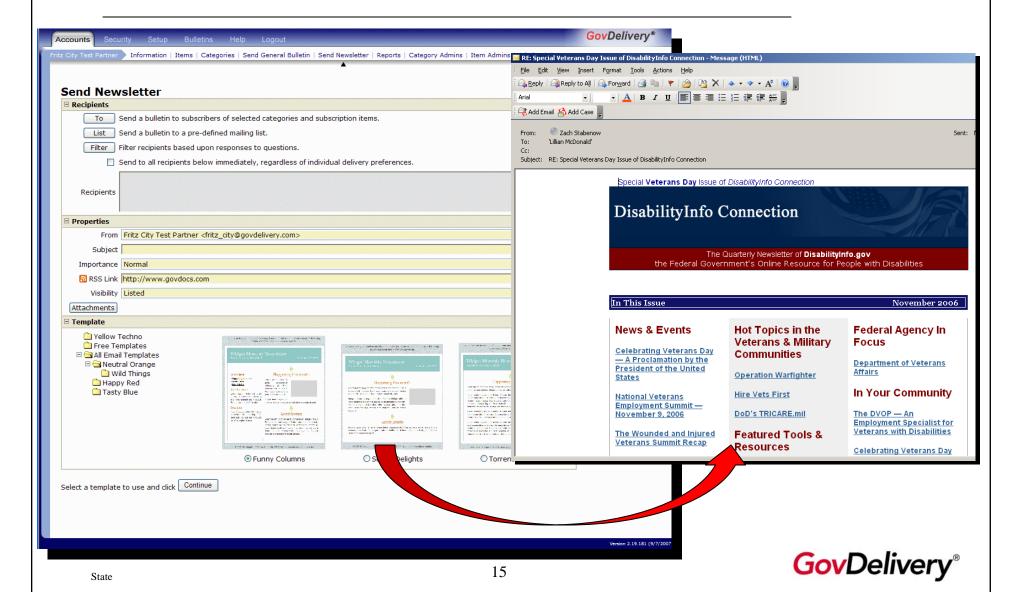
### **Including Emergency Text Messaging**







### **E-Newsletter Creation**



### 3 Simple Ways to Send Emails and Alerts

#### **Information Sources**

#### **How it works**



**Website Update** 



Change noticed on appropriate webpage; email generated with link to new content



**RSS Feed Update** 



Change noticed in RSS feed; email generated containing new content



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Manual

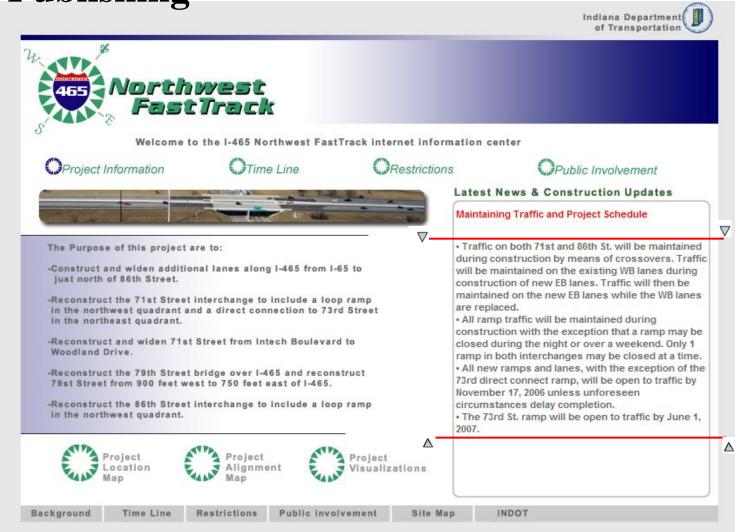


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Emails can be created and sent manually at any time (emergencies, one-time issues, enewsletters, etc.)



Synchronize Updates With Website Publishing



#### **Results**

- 100–400 specific topics available for e-mail subscriptions per agency
- Tens of thousands of residents subscribed to multiple information topics (averaging 8.6 subscription topics per resident)
- 21-45% increase in website usage; notifications bring users back to the website
- 99% of notifications delivered without error (pass spam filters)
- \$250,000 \$315,000 in annual cost savings for agency
- Emergency notices communicated to wide audience within minutes

### Deliverability, Certified E-mail and SaaS

#### **Deliverability**

- Delivers 99% of sent emails to recipients' inboxes
- Engaged with major ISPs to maintain positive status and actively monitors delisting to ensure that emails are landing in inboxes and not in junk or bulk email folders
- Stays current with email laws, including the CAN-SPAM Act, to ensure compliant e-mail sends
- Automatically handles all bounced e-mails (hard and soft bounces)
- Is the # 1 sender of e-mail updates on behalf of U.S. government

#### **Certified Email**

- Reduces phishing and e-scam likelihood
- Bypass volume and content filters
- Confirmation receipt by message
- Full message functionality (no blocked messages)

#### Software as a Service (SaaS)

- No Hardware, Software or Band-with costs
- Integration with Web Services



#### Before Certified Email





### **Case Study Clients**

Oregon Department of Human Services Firstgov.gov (USA.gov)

Kansas Dept of Transportation U.S. Social Security Administration

Texas Health and Human Services

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Minnesota Department of Health Center for Disease and Control (CDC)

Idaho Environmental Quality U.S. Department of Labor

Colorado Department of Public Health U.S. Department of Transportation

California Dept of Insurance U.S. Department of Commerce

Ohio State Treasurer U.S. Department of Agriculture

Idaho Fish and Game FBI

Oregon Business and Consumer Services EPA

Oregon Environmental Quality GSA

Minnesota Dept of Education U.S. Treasury

Texas Governor's Office U.S. Department of State

Idaho Tax Commission Federal Reserve Board

Texas Parks & Wildlife U.K. Parliament

Texas Economic Development U.K. Highways Agency

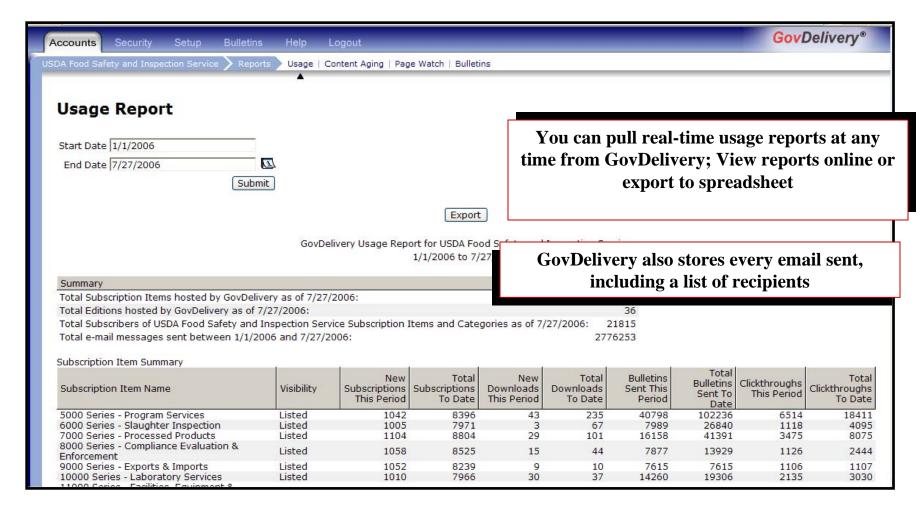
**Washington Department of Natural Resources** 



### **Summary**

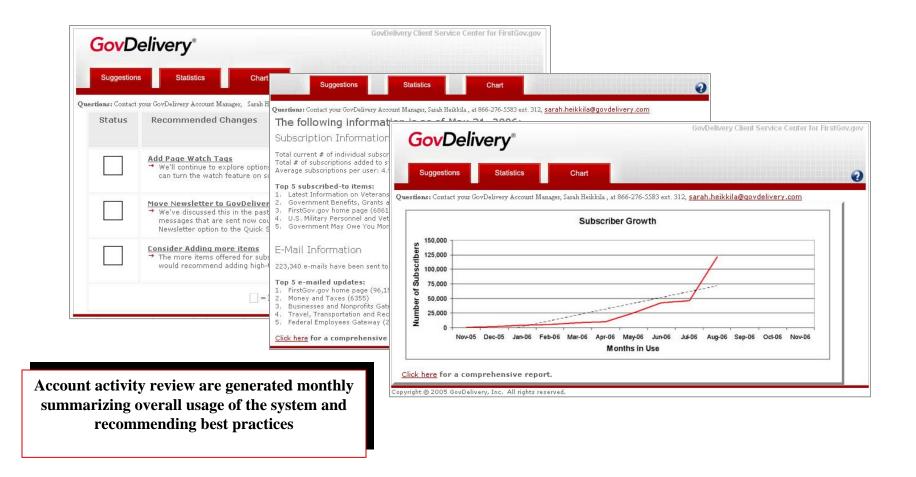
- Provides residents with a preferred communication channel to:
  - improve citizen awareness
  - increase constituent satisfaction via the IN.gov portal
- Provides agency with quick, automated distribution of information reducing:
  - paper distribution costs
  - administrative time
  - risk of website investments being under-utilized

### **Reporting: On-Demand Usage Reports**





### **Quarterly Review and Recommendations**





### Setup and Staff Resources Required: Three Steps

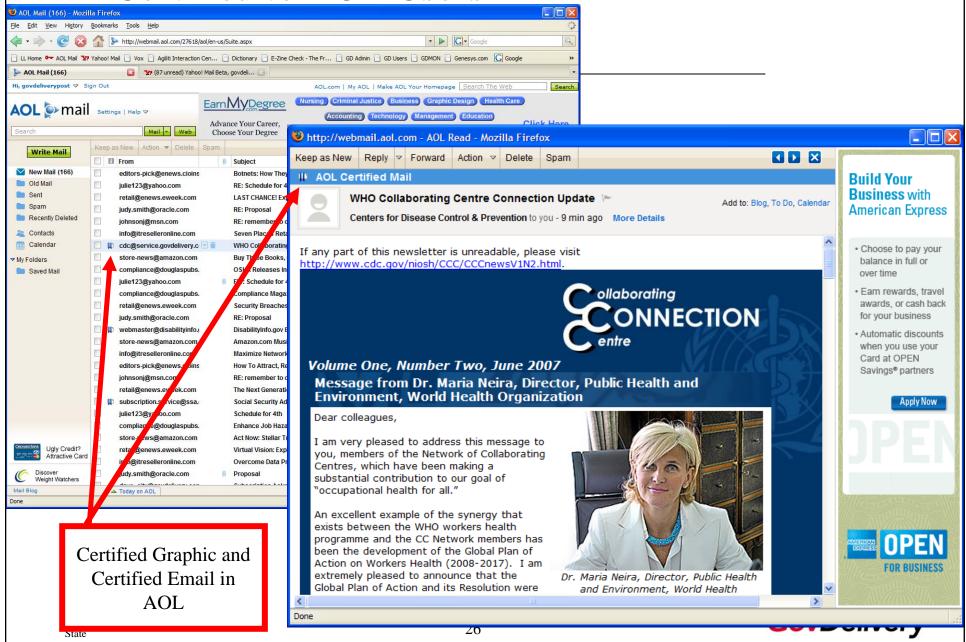
- Agency Project Lead Approves:
  - What content will be offered for subscription
  - Outbound e-mail settings
  - Subscriber sign-up process
- Web Content Editors Trained:
  - Partner / Primary Administrator 2 hours
  - Item Administrators- 1 hour
- System Launched:
  - Web team adds provided subscription links to site

### **Setup Typically Takes 30 Days or Less**

Your GovDelivery Account Manager will provide support and complete the majority of the work at every step.

### **Certified to AOL Users**





#### **Certified to Yahoo Users**



